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Islamabad, the December 6th, 2023

ORDER IN ORIGINAL NO 52/2023

Passed by Mr. Umar Dad Afridi, Regulator of Trade Organizations

Mumtaz Akhtar nominee of Islamabad Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Versus

Election Commission of Federation of Pakistan Chamber of Commerce and Industry
(FPCCI)

Present in the hearing.

1. Malik Ghulam Sabir, (on behalf of appellant)
2. Malik Sohail
3. Mumtaz Akhtar

.....Appellant/Complainant

1. Ms. Mahreen Razzak (on behalf of Secretary General FPCCI)
2. Mr. Arshad Khurshid
(Member Election Commission of FPCCI)
3. Mr. Anjum Rasheed Bawa
(Member Election Commission of FPCCI)
4. Mr. Ali Nawaz Kharral, Advocate Advocate
(on behalf of Respondent)

.....Respondents

Date of Hearing: 30-11-2023

Place of Hearing: OFFICE OF REGULATOR OF TRADE ORGANIZATIONS,
DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF TRADE ORGANIZATIONS,
STATE LIFE BUILDING NO.7, 2ND FLOOR, BLUE AREA,
ISLAMABAD.

Date of issuance of Order: 06-12-2023

UMAR DAD AFRIDI
Regulator of Trade Organizations
Directorate General of Trade Organization
Ministry of Commerce, Islamabad

By this order the undersigned intends to dispose of an appeal filed by Ms. Mumtaz Akhtar nominee of Islamabad Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry against decision of Election Commission of Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) regarding inclusion of nominees of Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry Quetta Division. The case was fixed for hearing on 30-11-2023 which was attended by both sides.


2. The background of the case is that the Election Commission, FPCCI vide decision No. 35 dated 23-11-2023 upheld the decision of Secretary General, FPCCI, regarding inclusion the name of Ms. Sharmin Younis (Corporate) and Ms. Farzana Ali Ahmed (Associate), nominee from Women Chamber of Commerce & Industry Quetta Division in the provisional voters list and declined the complaint of the applicant.

3. The counsel of the applicant submitted that both the nominees do not fulfill the criteria to become the valid voters and even valid members of the Chamber. Ms. Sharmin Younis, profile of the said business concern reflects that she does not fulfill the criteria of Rule 2(1)(g) of ToRs, 2013 and also not eligible to become a member under Rule 11(5) of the ToRs, 2013. Furthermore, both nominees of the said Chamber are being forwarded by an expired Chamber, therefore, not eligible to become a valid voter for FPCCI.

4. Counsel of the Respondents have submitted NTN profile of the both the nominees, showing their separate classes of membership. Furthermore, the counsel submitted that renewal of license of the WCCI Quetta Division is under process in DGTO Office, which can be verified from the record of the office and there is no such order of Supreme Court about the Chamber.

FINDINGS:-

The Respondent has provided evidences, showing both the voters are eligible in their respective classes of membership. The Chamber has applied in time for renewal of license, which is under process subject to completion of codal formalities by the Chamber.


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ORDERS: -

Arguments heard, record perused and relevant provisions of law examined in light of the above the following orders are passed:

- i) The instant appeal is dismissed, and the decision of Secretary General, FPCCI and Election Commission FPCCI are upheld. The Secretary General is directed to include both the nominees of Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry Quetta Division in the voter list of FPCCI election 2024-25.
- ii) The matter stands disposed of accordingly.


(Umar Dad Afridi)
Regulator (TO)

Announced Dated: 06-12-2023.

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